

Feast Christ the King

November 22, 2020

St Michael's Catholic Parish Traralgon

St Michael's Vision Statement: Inspired by Jesus Christ, we are a welcoming Catholic Community seeking to enrich lives. Come and join us!

St Michael's Mission Statement:

To provide opportunities for parishioners –

- to grow in holiness
- to discover and live out their personal and community call to mission to live as Catholics who effectively transform society.

www.smpt.org.au

email: sec@smpt.org.au

Statement of Commitment to the safety of children and vulnerable adults: Central to the mission of St Michael's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity, self-esteem and integrity of children, young people and vulnerable adults and providing them with a safe, supportive and enriching environment to develop spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially. Please contact our Safeguarding Officers, Chris DiCorleto and Shane Reid on 5174 2060 if you have any concerns.

St Michael's Parish Information

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After office hours - in case of an emergency please call 0448 529 712 and leave a message and your contact details.

All non-urgent calls should be made during office hours.

Baptisms: currently in abeyance

Weddings: currently in abeyance

Parish Pastoral Council: Greg Imhagve Chairperson, Fr Francis, Sr Doreen, Lia Di Corleto, Watson Gomez, Jenifer Hanratty, Steve Kimani, Judi McLaughlin, Thomas Mathew, Amanda Reid, Kevin Taylor, Jodie Ware, Ros Joyner, Doug Doherty and Bev O'Brien.

Our Schools:

St Gabriel's School 5174 5515

Principal: Mrs Roslyn Joyner

St Michael's School 5174 3295

Principal: Mrs Jodie Ware

Lavalla Catholic College 5174 5272

Principal: Mr John Freeman

Kildare Campus 5174 8111

St Paul's Campus 5174 7355



Father Peter Slater

Diocesan Administrator, Catholic Diocese of Sale

mindful of the Covid-19 pandemic and restrictions in the State of Victoria

cordially invites

to join in prayer via live-streaming:

www.cdsale.org.au/bishop-ordination-bennet

with the Clergy, Religious and People of Sale for the

Episcopal Ordination and Installation

of

Most Reverend Gregory Charles Bennet

as Tenth Bishop of Sale

on Tuesday 8th December 2020

from 10.45am

at St Mary's Cathedral, Sale



**Catholic
Diocese
of Sale**

*May Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
intercede for the sick, the aged and
those dedicated to their care.*



Sunday Mass Times (as of October 27, 2020)	
Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	9:00am
	10:30am
	5:00pm
Weekday Mass Times	
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday	9:30am
Wednesday	11:00am Adoration 12:00pm Mass
Attendance at all Masses is limited to 20 people plus a religious leader and must be booked at the Parish Office.	

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We remember those who have died recently including Dot Cornford, William Waters, Francesco (Frank) Dompietro and Martin Coffey and those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Elsie Rogan, Bridget Hiney, Glenn Peters, Johanna Van Zwieten, Giovanni Di Sisto, Bishop Jeremiah Coffey and Doreen Ryan.

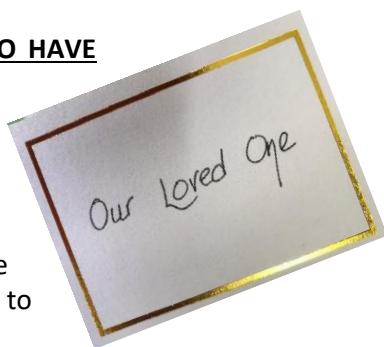
Lord, let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK including Maria Alessandrini, Lee Allman, Cath Boers, Fr Bernard Buckley, Conceicao Carvalho, Peter Dal Pra, Ann-Maree Daly, Anthony Derham, Gary Donchi, Bill Edgar, Bernadette Formaran, Fr Frank Freeman, Marj Gilbert, Carolyn Gleeson, Robert Hazelman, Imogen Hillier, Marie Howard, Joan Lamont, Peter Lont, Joyce Martin, Ivy May, Deborah Mc Kerchar, Ben Melenhorst, Joan Quigley, Joan Riggall, Kath Ryan, Jerry Templer, Joan Turner, Julie Vaz, Brian Vivian, Celie Smith, Wil Waanders, George Walkan, Roy Ward and Fr Frank Young, and all those we hold dear in our hearts.

MASS OFFERINGS: Masses have been offered for Martin Coffey, Ian Dye, Bridget Hiney, William Waters and Elsie Rogan.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND GONE BEFORE US:

It is our tradition to pray for those who have died, especially in the month of November. You are invited to write the name of the ones you wish to remember in prayer on separate cards and place them in the large bowl under the cross by the votive candles.



At each Mass, the parish family members gathered at the table of the Lord will pray for those loved ones whose names have been placed in the bowl.

May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

NO SATURDAY EVENING MASS ON SAT NOV 28: As you'll have already read, the third Confirmation celebration Mass will take place on Saturday November 28. In order to allow the church to be cleaned and set up for Confirmation, there won't be a Parish Mass that evening

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES: Our Confirmation celebrations will be held on **Thursday 26th November at 6:00pm, Friday 27th November at 6:00pm and Saturday 28th November at 6:30pm** providing the proposed increase of attendance numbers eventuates.

Each candidate for Confirmation is allowed only four seats at the Mass, and the seating plan has to meet the State Covid Safety Restrictions.

Huge thanks to our Sacramental Team for all their efforts to bring these celebrations to fruition.

Please keep our 49 confirmation students, their families and the Sacramental Team in your prayers.

Baptisms will be able to proceed in the coming weeks, with the celebrations being conducted within the Mass. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: The office remains closed due to the pandemic restrictions. All contact needs to be made by phone (5174 2060) or email (sec@smpt.org.au). Thank you. Please ring between 2:00pm and 3:30pm to book a place at Mass.

In case of an after hours emergency please call 0448 529 712 and leave a clear and concise message and your contact details for Father.

ATTENDING MASS: It is wonderful to be able to come to Mass in our beautiful church again. Please remember that at all times, we must follow Covid-safe restrictions.

- * Please arrive 10 minutes prior to Mass starting.
- * Social distancing must be maintained and masks must be worn.

Holy Communion

All worshippers are to wear a face mask throughout the celebration of Mass and the other Sacraments.

The communicant is required –

- To maintain the proper distancing in communion queue.
- To wear a mask
- Engages in the dialogue with Father and receives the host in the hand, while wearing the mask.
- Steps several metres to the side, and away from the priest.
- Removes one side of the mask to place the Host in their mouth with the other hand.
- Re-positions the mask.
- Returns to their seat via a different pathway.

ISOLATION PRAYER LIFE:

Access to Masses online/TV/ Keep up to date with the latest prayer resources for your communities <https://www.cdsale.org.au/news/prayer-resources-in-time-of-need>

Livestreamed Masses

<https://www.cdsale.org.au/coronavirus>

Mass with Fr Rob Galea can be found by going to frgministry.com.

Music and prayer for the Feast of Christ the King. You are invited to pray at home with the Sunday readings with free access to the following online music and video resources

Australian Catholics - use the Scriptures and the reflection questions provided for your personal prayer or for your Sunday Liturgy of the Word celebration at home or via livestream <https://tinyurl.com/Scripture-and-Reflections>

Psalms and chants from Marist Music for this Sunday www.maristmusic.org.au/ available as sheet music and audio.

Daily Prayer

Short daily Gospel reflections with access to readings and prayers of the faithful can be found at <https://www.pray.com.au> and at <https://thewell.org.au/about>

Free individual and family prayer resources for

Catholics in social isolation from Liturgy Help <https://www.liturgyhelp.com/aus/pray>.

Praying at home

1. Pray the Liturgy of the Word: read and pray with the Sunday scriptures. www.liturgybrisbane.net.au
2. Please continue to pray for Bishop-elect Greg Bennet as he makes preparations for his episcopal ordination as soon as he is able.
3. Ready, Set, Pray! – a new free resource from the Proclaim Office, Archdiocese of Melbourne <https://bit.ly/ReadySetPray>
The Ready, Set, Pray! Children's Liturgy of the Word @ Home video series has been created to provide an engaging space for families to encounter Jesus through the Sunday gospel. Each week includes an invitation for families to create and gather in their own prayer space, to sing, hear the Gospel, pray and respond creatively through an activity.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The simple and loving act of Spiritual Communion (written by St. Alphonsus Liguori) can be made when we are unable to attend Mass and receive the Eucharist.

Pray these words:

My Jesus,

I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at

least spiritually into my heart. As though You have

already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to

You; never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

CHRISTMAS GIFTING TREE: St Michael's St Vincent de Paul Conference has again organised the Christmas Gifting Tree to be in the Church from **November 15 to December 13.**

Parishioners are asked to take a gift tag, and return your gift/voucher by December 13.

Please only touch the tag you are going to remove.



The conference would like to thank all parishioners for their support during this difficult time in 2020, and wish all a happy, holy and safe Christmas spent with those we love most.

STEWARDSHIP MATTERS:

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – Matthew 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's schedule.

THEOLOGICAL STUDY IN 2021 Enrolments OPEN

(On-line options available) Yarra Theological Union, a Catholic College of the University of Divinity in Box Hill is taking enrolments for study in 2021. New students can make an appointment with the Dean by emailing: admin@ytu.edu.au Or contacting the Dean directly via email: dean@ytu.edu.au. Further study details are available on our website www.ytu.edu.au.

VIRTUAL ADVENT SERIES A series of Advent talks from four Australian biblical scholars from *Yarra Theological Union*, a College of the University of Divinity. Each will reflect on the extraordinary richness and beauty of the Advent readings. Speakers: **Assoc Prof Mary Coloe PBVM, Dr Chris Monaghan CP, Dr Mary Reaburn NDS, Dr Janina Hiebel** will work together to shed light on each of the readings for the coming week. This perfect opportunity to grow in your understanding as disciples should not be missed.

EVENT DETAILS

WHEN: Tuesdays – November 24, December 1, 8 & 15

Time : 7pm – 8pm **Where :** Via Zoom Meeting

Cost : Free **RSVP:** By Sunday November 22nd, 2020.

RSVP is essential. Zoom meeting details will be forwarded after registration. More details

<https://www.garrattpublishing.com.au/blog/post/you-are-invited-to-a-virtual-advent-series/>

CWL Traralgon Branch are having their AGM on Tuesday 24th November at 10.00AM at Dal Mondos beginning with a coffee, due to Covid19. Members have been booked in. If interested [nos. will be restricted] and would like to join us, welcome to come, however please contact/enquires. Enquires.... Johanna Sykes. Mob. 0413 489 704.

Entrance Antiphon Rv 5:12 1:6

*How worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power for ever and
ever.*

First Reading Ez 34:11-12 15-17

A reading from the prophet Ezekial
You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22:1-3 5-6 R v1

*(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.*

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **(R.)**
2. Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Cor 15:20-26 28

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that
God may be all in all.*

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power.

For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel Acclamation Mk 11:9-10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

*Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!*

Gospel Mt 25:31-46

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he
will separate men one from another.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

Next weeks Readings: 1st Sunday of Advent Year B

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1 3-8

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37.